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Report of the Committee of Experts on its sixth session

Draft report

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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Committee of Experts held its sixth session from 3 to 5 August 2016 at United Nations Headquarters in New York. The Committee held six meetings (1st to 6th).

B. Election of officers

2. At its first meeting, held on 3 August 2016, the Committee of Experts elected the following officers by acclamation:

Co-Chairs:
Tim Trainor (United St. es of America)
Rolando Ocampo (Mexico)
Li Pengde (China)

Rapporteur:
Abdoulaye Belem (Burkina Faso)

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C. Agenda and organization of work

3. At its first meeting, held on 3 August 2016, the Committee of Experts adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document E/C.20/2016/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Contribution of regional committees and thematic groups to the global geospatial information agenda.
4. Global geodetic reference frame.
5. Determination of global fundamental geospatial data themes.
6. Trends in national institutional arrangements in global geospatial information management.
7. Legal and policy frameworks, including issues related to authoritative data.
8. Implementation and adoption of standards for the global geospatial information community.
9. Integration of geospatial, statistical and other related information.
10. Application of geospatial information related to land administration and management.
11. Activities related to sustainable development and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
12. Geospatial information and services for disasters.
13. Knowledge base for geospatial information management.
14. Review of United Nations activities related to geospatial information management.
15. Provisional agenda and dates for the seventh session of the Committee of Experts.
16. Report of the Committee of Experts on its sixth session.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee of Experts approved the organization of the work of the session.[1]

D. Attendance

5. The session was attended by ___ participants, including ___ representatives from __ Member States and ___ representatives from ___ non-Member States. Also present were ___ representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental, non-governmental and other organizations. The list

[1] Available in the language of submission only from the website of the Committee of Experts (http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html).

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6. The Committee also invited the following organizations, which do not have consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, to participate in the work of the session as observers: Austrian Academy of Sciences, Commission for GIScience; Caribbean Chapter of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association; Carleton University; CARTO; Center for International Earth Science Information Network; Consulting Where, Ltd.; Department of Geomatics Engineering and Land Management, University of the West Indies; DigitalGlobe; Esri; EuroGeographics; GeoSpace; Geospatial Media and Communications; GeoSUR Programme; GeoThings; Global Spatial Data Infrastructure Association; Group on Earth Observations; Hexagon Geospatial; Institute for Conscious Global Change; Institute of Geography, National Autonomous University of Mexico; International Association of Geodesy; International Cartographic Association; International Federation of Surveyors; International Institute for Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation; Joint Board of Geospatial Information Societies; MapAction; MDA Surveillance and Intelligence; Okavango Research Institute, University of Botswana; Open Geospatial Consortium; Oracle Corporation; Pan American Institute of Geography and History; Planet Labs; Remote Sensing Solutions, Inc.; RIEGL Laser Measurement Systems; Royal Academy of Science International Trust; Spatial Data Holdings; Supreme GIS Services, Supreme & Co.; the PYXIS innovation; University of Los Andes; University of Salzburg;

E. Documentation

7. The documents before the Committee of Experts at its sixth session are available from the website of the Committee of Experts at http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html.